

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A tool box comprising:

a base portion having two side walls between which a bottom and a top are respectively transversely connected, a back wall connected between two rear sides of said two side walls;

[two]one sliding plate[s] respectively and slidably disposed to one of said side walls [corresponding thereto; and];

at least one receiving member pivotally connected to said one of [between] said [two] side walls at [two] one end[s] of a front side [thereof] of the receiving member, and pivotally connected [between] to said sliding plate[s] at said [two] one end[s] of a rear side [thereof] of the receiving member, wherein a first imaginary straight line passes through the pivotal connection of the receiving member to said one of said side walls and the pivotal connection of the receiving member to the sliding plate, the location of the pivotal connection of said at least one receiving member to said one of said side walls being closer to the front side than to the rear side of said at least one receiving member when taken along said first imaginary straight line;

an actuating member pivotally connected between said two side walls at two ends of a front side of the actuating member and pivotally connected to said sliding plate at one end of a rear side of the actuating member so that when pivoting said actuating member about said two ends of said front side thereof, said sliding plate is moved upwardly and said rear side of said receiving member is moved upwardly to pivot the receiving member toward an inclined position, wherein a second imaginary straight

line passes through the pivotal connection of the actuating member to said one of said side walls and the pivotal connection of the actuating member to the sliding plate, the location of the pivotal connection of the actuating member to said one of said side walls being closer to the front side than to the rear side of said actuating member when taken along said second imaginary straight line ; and means mounted to the base portion for covering said at least one receiving member in a closed position and providing access to said at least one receiving member in an open position.

18. Please cancel claim 18.

21. Please cancel claim 21.

Please add the following new claims:

26. A tool box comprising:

a base portion having two side walls between which a bottom and a top are respectively transversely connected, a back wall connected between two rear sides of said two side walls;
one sliding plate respectively and slidably disposed to one of said side walls;
at least one receiving member pivotally connected to said one of said side walls at one end of a front side of the receiving member for pivoting movement of the receiving member between a storage position and an inclined position, and pivotally

connected to said sliding plate at said one end of a rear side of the receiving member; an actuating member pivotally connected between said two side walls at two ends of a front side of the actuating member for pivoting movement of the actuating member between a storage position and an inclined position, and pivotally connected to said sliding plate at one end of a rear side of the actuating member so that when pivoting said actuating member about said two ends of said front side thereof, said sliding plate is moved upwardly and said rear side of said receiving member is moved upwardly to pivot the receiving member toward the inclined position; and means mounted to the base portion for covering said at least one receiving member in a closed position and providing access to said at least one receiving member in an open position, said means for covering comprising a cover which has a front plate with two side plates extending from two opposite sides thereof, a top plate connected between said two side plates and two legs extending from each of said two side plates, said two legs pivotally connected to said two side walls.

27. The tool box as claimed in claim 26 wherein said two side walls of said base portion each have a boss extending from an outer surface thereof and each of said legs of said cover has a hole defined therethrough so as to receive said boss corresponding thereto.

28. The tool box as claimed in claim 26 wherein said back wall of said base portion inclinedly leans on a lower edge of said front plate when said cover is pivoted downwardly about said two bosses and turned to a rear side of said base portion.